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Application of: Javier ALARCON et al.

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Application No.: 10/721,797

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Examiner: Berhanu, E.D.

For: FIBER OPTIC DEVICE FOR SENSING ANALYTES

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Customer Window Randolph Building 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1.	Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114						
	a.	$\boxtimes$	Previously submitted:				
		i.	Please enter and consider the attached Reply and Amendment previously filed on March 10, 2008.				
		ii.	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on				
	b.		Enclosed:				
		i.	Amendment				
		ii.	Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449				
		iii.	Statement Accompanying Substitute Sequence Listing; Sequence				
			Listing and diskette				
		iv.	Revocation of Prior Power of Attorney and Appointment of New				
			Attorney by Assignee				

2.	Miscellaneous							
	a.	Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)						
	b.	Other						
3.	Fees	Fees Calculation						
	a.	RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)						

## b. Additional Claims

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid	Present Extra	at Rate of	Total Fees
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(c))	32	minus	44	0	x \$50 each =	+ \$0
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b))	1	minus	3	0	x \$210 each =	+ \$0
First presentation of Multiple dependent claim(s) \$370.00						
SUB-TOTAL =						
Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity						
TOTAL FEE =						

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c.	Extension of Time						
		Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.					
		Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below.					
		Total Months	Fee for	Fee for Small			
		Requested	Extension	Entity			
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		one month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00			
		two months	\$ 460.00	\$ 230.00			
		three months	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 525.00			
		four months	\$ 1,640.00	\$ 820.00			
		five months	\$ 2,230.00	\$1,115.00			
$\boxtimes$	An extension for 1 month has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$120.00 is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.						
$\boxtimes$	The extension of time fee for this request: \$930.00.						
	If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.						
Fee Pa	yment						
$\boxtimes$	The Director is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account No. 50-0310 in the total amount of \$1,740.00.						

4.

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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